

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 728 - HB 1850

March 4, 2011

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates a reckless driving offense for a person who operates a motor vehicle, along with one of more other persons operating one or more other motor vehicles, with the intent to knowingly obstruct a public street, highway, alley, parking lot, driveway, or the premises of any private property. Classifies a violation as a Class B misdemeanor punishable by a fine of \$2,500 and mandatory suspension of the person's driver license for a period of time as deemed appropriate by the Commissioner of the Department of Safety.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Revenue – \$19,700/Recurring
Increase State Expenditures – \$14,900/One-Time**

Increase Local Revenue – \$1,000/Recurring

Assumptions:

- The Department of Safety (DOS) estimates 10 violations per year at a fine of \$2,500 per violation.
- Twenty percent will not pay the fine due to indigence.
- Local court clerks retain five percent of fine revenue.
- An increase in recurring state revenue of \$19,000 (10 violations x \$2,500 fine x 80% x 95%).
- An increase in recurring local government revenue of \$1,000 (10 violations x \$2,500 fine x 80% x 5%).
- The fee charged for license reinstatement is \$65; all violators will reinstate licenses. An increase in recurring state revenue of \$650 (10 reinstatements x \$65 fee).
- The Department has documented \$14,850 [(Contract Manager: \$90 x 40 hours) + (Programming Hours: \$75 x 150 hours)] in actual one-time computer programming costs by an outside vendor to implement this bill.

- Any increase in state or local government expenditures for enforcement will be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director

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